December 30, 1985

TO:

Coal File

FROM:

Richard V. Smith, Geologist RV^5

RE:

Response to Stipulation of October 30, 1985, Co-Op Mining Company, Bear Canyon Mine, ACT/015/025, #2,

Emery County, Utah

Stipulation 817-13-.15-(1)-RVS

1. Within 30 days of completion, boreholes utilized for ground-water monitoring will be sealed in a nonpermanent fashion by installing PVC surface casing with a threaded cap for access.

Response

The three monitoring wells will be capped in a manner to allow access prior to November 30, 1985.

Action

Approved. It is recommended that Inspection and Enforcement staff perform a site inspection to insure proper casing installation and maintenance.

Stipulation 817.121-.126-(1)-RVS

1. The applicant must, within 30 days of permit approval, commit to maintaining a continuous barrier along the north-south trending fault that occurs approximately 950 feet in from the main access portal. The barrier shall be 80 feet wide with 40 feet of the barrier along each side of the fault for the entire length of the fault. The barrier may not be mined through without specific Division approval to do so based on revised mine sequence maps and mining plans submitted to the Division.

The applicant must provide within 30 days of permit approval a revised Plate 3-4 which delineates the 80 foot barrier.

Response

See Attachment "D" Revised Plate 3-4:

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Co-Op requests the Division note the location and the need to mine through the barrier as noted on Plate 3-4. The adit is necessary to be utilized as a bleeder line so that those reserves can be recovered as pictured on Plate 3-4. This is being requested as a safety requirement and in line with MSHA guidelines.

Action

Approved.

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cc: Joe Helfrich
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